

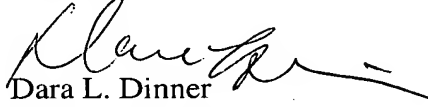
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Should the Examiner have any questions or wish to discuss any aspect of this case, the Examiner is encouraged to call the undersigned at the number below. If any additional fees or charges are required by this paper the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit account 19-2570 accordingly.

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MARKED UP VERSION OF CLAIMS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

3. (Amended) The method according to [any one of Claims 1 to 4] Claim 1 wherein the bicarbonate is sodium or potassium bicarbonate or a mixture thereof.

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